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LABOR DAY MESSAGE FROM DON DUNSTAN.

This Labor Day we can look back on another victory for the A.L.P. - success at the double dissolution and received confirmation of the Party's mandate for reform.

As with all Labor's great triumphs it was made possible only by the dedication of the rank and file and a united effort by all sections of the Labor Movement.

We shall need to the full this singleness of purpose in the testing times ahead and in the face of continued obstruction by our opponents.

In South Australia the State Labor Government has pressed ahead with implementing the programme for social justice and a better deal for workers on which it was returned at the 1973 election.

A new deal in workers' compensation - now a model for the rest of Australia - moves towards effective industrial democracy, improved consumer protection measures, urban land price control, these are just some of the steps taken.

As in the past, this has been made possible through constant consultation and liaison between the trade union and parliamentary wings of the Labor Movement.

Unionism is a dynamic and essential force in achieving the social justice to which we are all pledged.

Don Dunstan